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MESSENGER

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THE INCOMPREHENSIBLE GOD FOR INCOMPREHENSIBLE PROBLEMS

When we try to imagine what God is like, we will always create an image that we can understand. This creation of our imagination is far below the reality of God. In fact, it may be that one reason God forbade the creation of images to represent him for worship is that God is, in reality, far greater than anything we can imagine. Instead of trying to imagine what God is like, we should be overwhelmed with the reality that we can't understand what God is like.

Even though God is incomprehensible, he has revealed some things about his nature. These descriptions of divine perfections paint a picture of God's amazing incomprehensible nature. In the midst of suffering, Job helps us understand that God is incomprehensible. Notice how God is described in Job. Job 11:7 says, "Canst thou by searching find out God? canst thou find out the Almighty unto perfection?" In Job 11:8-9 we read, "It is as high as heaven, what canst thou do? deeper than hell, what canst thou know? The measure thereof is longer than the earth, and broader than the sea." Then in Job 26:14 we read, "Lo, these are parts of his ways; but how little a portion is heard of him? but the thunder of his power who can understand?"

God is greater than we can imagine. When we try to imagine him, we rob ourselves of the opportunity to be overwhelmed with his incomprehensible glory. This incomprehensible God was presented to Job's readers as the place to turn when we are overwhelmed with problems. Job certainly understood problems. He suddenly lost his family, wealth, and health and had no idea why these things happened. Job never received an explanation as to why he suffered this way. Instead, God was reminded to trust God who is beyond our comprehension. Just as we look away from a shot to deal with the pain, we can be overwhelmed with God's glory

Donnie L. DeBord, M.Div, Th.M

Welcome to Lomax!

A special welcome to our guests!

We are glad to have you visiting with us today! You are welcome here. We know you have a choice of where to worship, and you chose to be with us today — thank you.

At Lomax we want to be the church we read about in the Bible. Our goal is to glorify God with our worship and with our lives and to point people to Jesus Christ.

If you need anything during the service, ushers in the lobby can direct you to restrooms, the nursery, or a telephone. Please do us the favor of filling out a blue card located on the back of the pew in front of you. If you have any questions or if we can help

Sandy Hook Church of Christ Ladies Day September 18th 9:00 am—1:00 pm

Speaker:

Kara Farr



Topic:

Far Above Rubies



In Our Thoughts & Prayers

<u>Sick:</u> Lynn Ammons continues to recover at home with no visitors at this time. Jana Grimes will have heart surgery but date has not been determined as of yet. Sharon Grinder will have hip surgery on September 16th. Gary O'Brien will have some plastic surgery on his nose in the upcoming weeks. Wayne Tiller, the brother of Lynn Tiller has pneumonia due to the COVID Virus. Shane Newbold, the husband of Becky Newbold is doing some better but is still very sick from COVID Virus. Kyle Pope, friend of Lindsey Himes is dealing with COVID Virus. Please remember all those who have been or are currently dealing with the COVID Virus.

Sympathy to the friends and family of **Don Canady**, the husband of Carol Faye Lawson Canady. He passed away on Tuesday, Septe.ber 7th. Graveside services will be held Saturday in Nashville. Carol Faye is related to many who attend here at Lomax.

Continue to remember: Jerry Ammons, Lynn Ammons, June Bates—Life Care of Centerville, Nell Bunch, Lovada Burklow, Jean Curry, Barbara Eglinton, Rochelle Ely, Dustin Flowers, Jim Grinder, Jana Grimes, Janice Johnston, Faye Kilpatrick, Freida Lewis, Jennie Martin, Thomas McMillian, Mike O'Brien, Chuck Oppermann, David Roth, Janice Sublett, Mike Tatum, Richard Whitehead, Charles Williams and Jerry Yates.

Shut-ins: Sharon Edwards, Michael Gray and Jimmy Griner

<u>In Lewis County Nursing & Rehab Center:</u> Michelle Huff, Melba Ogg and Betty Stafford.

Remember our military: Dustin Brugmann (grandson of Jim & Sharon Grinder), Kerry Conkle (grandson of Ralph & Sue Conkle), and Jacob Fite (nephew of Tommy & Sandra Clayton).



Primetimers
Cookout
at the Home of
Boo & Rose Spears
September 16th
@ 4:00 pm



Food For Friends: <u>September 16th</u>

Team 7 (Cynthia & Betsy)

If anyone can help deliver meals, be at the CSC at 10:30 am



Our monthly Food for Families distribution is <u>Thursday, September 16th</u>
If you have not brought your grocery items in, please do so by Wed. morning if possible.

Day School Donations

If you can help by supplying some of these items it will be greatly appreciated:

Lysol Spray

Please put these items in the box in the church office in the foyer.

Thank you!



September 13—Youth Devotional @ the Morrows.

September 16—Primetimers Cookout @ Boo & Rose's at 4 pm

<u>September 18</u>—Ladies Day @ Sandy Hook—Kara Farr speaker

September 19—Pewpackers

September 24—RUSH @ FHU

October 22-24—ERUPT Youth Rally November 6—Lomax Ladies Day



Who said, "Thou wilt cast all their sin into the depths of the sea"?

(answer next week)

KNOW YOUR BIBLE



Boo's Belyeu

You may not realize it, but September 12th is National Day of Encouragement. The number one person I thought of in the Bible was Barnabas. His name means "son of encouragement." He was such an encouragement to Saul/Paul during his acceptance of Christ. Acts 9:27 "But Barnabas took him and brought him to the apostles and declared to them how on the road he had seen the Lord, who spoke to him, and how at Damascus he had preached boldly in the name of Jesus." Where would Paul be without Barnabas?

How much do we encourage each other? It is such a little thing and yet means so much. Encouragement is like "energy pills" to help us accomplish the goal. We find "hope" if someone empowers us through encouragement. It give us "perspective" and can calm us as we face our fears. Encouragement gives "self -esteem" it is a confidence booster, a refueling station. Lastly it is "success" the healthiest motivator provides reason for a positive outlook. Philp. 4:13 "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

LOMAX STUDENT MINISTRY

Are you willing to serve? As I started class on Sunday I saw on the Ipad that Jeff Spears was leading the auditorium class. He had little time to prepare but more than that he was willing to teach class and preach. Also, Scott was willing to preach Sunday night. We all need to be willing to serve and be ready to help in the future. Look for what your skills are and go out of your comfort zone. The comfort zone might be hindering you from how you can serve in the church.

*Sunday, September 12th, Lads to Leaders practice for Song Leading and working on individual projects (5:15pm)

*Monday, September 13th, Youth Devo for 6th-12th grade at the Morrows

*Saturday, September 18th, Service Saturday we will as a group complete service projects. We will meet in the morning and eat breakfast and then spread out and work on projects.

*Sunday, September 19th, Lads to Leaders practice for Speech and we will also be doing a pew packers (singing, memorization) at 5:15pm

*Friday-Sunday, October 22nd- October 24th Erupt Youth Rally, signup sheet is in foyer, Registration is 35\$.

*Friday-Saturday, February 5th and 6th, Youth Rally at Lomax

Giving Thanks

The Apostle Paul gave us an important charge. He said: "Always and for everything give thanks in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God the Father" (Ephesians 5:20).

This means going to God in prayer and thanking him for what He has given us. And doing this every day.

The word "thanksgiving" has come to be the name of a holiday we celebrate in November. But it is much, much more than that. It is something we should do every day. The word "thanksgiving" is the expression of gratitude. It means saying thank you to someone who has done something for us. And *no one* has done more for us than Almighty God.

According to Psalms 100:4, we are to "enter into (God's) gates with thanksgiving, and into His Courts with praise; be thankful unto Him, and bless His name."

Thanking God for His many blessings should not be limited to only the good times but also the bad times. When we do this, it gives us the opportunity to demonstrate our faith in God. Thanksgiving will draw our hearts out to God and keep us engaged with him, it will take our attention from ourselves and give the Holy spirit room in our hearts.

Larry Fitzgerald Woodlawn church of Christ Abilene, TX

BY THE NUMBERS For the week of 09/05

A.M. Bible Class 95
A.M. Worship Service 142
P.M. Worship Service 68
Wednesday PM 83
Contribution: \$6,583.05
Weekly Budget \$6,000.00

Schedule of Services

Sunday Bible Study — 9:00 am Worship Services — 10:00 am Sunday Evening — 6:00 pm Wednesday Primetimers - 10:00 am Wednesday Bible Study — 7:00 pm



Disaster Relief will be leaving on Monday, September 13th from the CSC at 7:45. Any extra help would be greatly appreciated.

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Last week's Know Your Bible Answer: David Psalms 55:6



Please continue to check out the New Visitation Bulletin Board in the foyer for updated information.

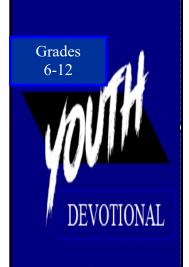
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Matthew Farr
(Special Events, CSC Scheduling)
Colby Hamm
(Young Families Ministry)
Chris Hunter
(Visitation)
Greg Mullinicks
(Audio/Visual, Bulletin)
Chuck Oppermann
(Missions, Correspondance Courses)
Jeff Spears
(Education)
Marty Spears
(Finance)





Grades 6—12
Youth Devotional

@ The Morrows
September 13th
Time: TBA
See Brice or Saul
for Details

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